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THE HEALTHCARE IMPERATIVE

LOWERING COSTS AND IMPROVING OUTCOMES: WORKSHOP SERIES SUMMARY

National Academies Press The United States has the highest per capita spending on health care of any industrialized nation but continually lags behind other nations in health care outcomes including life expectancy and infant mortality. National health expenditures are projected to exceed \$2.5 trillion in 2009. Given healthcare's direct impact on the economy, there is a critical need to control health care spending. According to The Health Imperative: Lowering Costs and Improving Outcomes, the costs of health care have strained the federal budget, and negatively affected state governments, the private sector and individuals. Healthcare expenditures have restricted the ability of state and local governments to fund other priorities and have contributed to slowing growth in wages and jobs in the private sector. Moreover, the number of uninsured has risen from 45.7 million in 2007 to 46.3 million in 2008. The Health Imperative: Lowering Costs and Improving Outcomes identifies a number of factors driving expenditure growth including scientific uncertainty, perverse economic and practice incentives, system fragmentation, lack of patient involvement, and under-investment in population health. Experts discussed key levers for catalyzing transformation of the delivery system. A few included streamlined health insurance regulation, administrative simplification and clarification and quality and consistency in treatment. The book is an excellent guide for policymakers at all levels of government, as well as private sector healthcare workers.

THE PAUL WELLSTONE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION EQUITY ACT OF 2007 (H.R. 1424)

HEARING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EMPLOYMENT, LABOR AND PENSIONS, COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND LABOR, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE HUNDRED TENTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION, HEARING HELD IN WASHINGTON, DC, JULY 10, 2007

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

RECORD 2: 2007-

THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Code of Federal Regulations is the codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the executive departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

CASE MANAGEMENT

A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO SUCCESS IN MANAGED CARE

Lippincott Williams & Wilkins The Second Edition of this comprehensive "how to" text has been completely revised and updated. This text outlines the basics of case management and illustrates some of the pitfalls encountered in the field of case management. The book provides information on the new Case Management Standards, supplies standard definitions and guidelines of case management for the practicing case manager, and presents information on caring for clients in a wide variety of health care settings. New to this edition--chapters focusing on Quality Reviews and Risk Management with a strong emphasis on Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI), ethical and legal issues, and various case studies.

STATE COVERAGE INITIATIVES

HEARING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE HUNDRED TENTH CONGRESS, FIRST [I.E. SECOND] SESSION, JULY 15, 2008

UNDERSTANDING POPULATION HEALTH ANALYTICS

Jones & Bartlett Learning "Binding: PB"--

POTENTIAL COSTS AND IMPACTS OF HB 130 (EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES) AND HB 131 (COST-OF-LIVING INCREASES)

PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 299 OF 2005

INTEGRATING COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE INTO HEALTH SYSTEMS

Jones & Bartlett Learning Comprehensive and in-depth guide provides the expertise of more than 100 of the nation's top professionals.

GROUP INSURANCE

ACTEX Publications This text is a comprehensive treatment of all aspects of group insurance in the United States and Canada. It addresses life and health insurance as well as government programs and more specialized forms of insurance. Emphasis is placed on the actuarial aspects of this important field of insurance including pricing, regulation, underwriting, financial reporting, and modeling. Since its original publication in 1992, Group Insurance has become the resource of choice for experts as well as beginners. It is an essential tool for anyone who wishes to practice in the group benefits field. The Sixth Edition has been updated for the industry and regulatory changes which have occurred since 2007. Of particular note is the impact that healthcare reform in the United States will have on all facets of this topic.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

ED. BY ROSS M. MULLNER

SAGE At the very heart of modern healthcare is a critical paradox. Today, as never before, healthcare has the ability to enhance the quality and duration of life. At the same time, healthcare has become so enormously costly that it can easily bankrupt governments and impoverish individuals and families. According to federal forecasters, by the year 2015 one in every five U.S. dollars will be spent on healthcare, for total annual healthcare spending of more than \$4 trillion. While the cost of healthcare is going up, the number of individuals and families without health insurance coverage is increasing. For many, the miracles of modern medicine may be unaffordable. Health services research investigates the relationship between the factors of cost, quality, and access to healthcare and their impact upon medical outcomes (i.e., death, disease, disability, discomfort, and dissatisfaction with care). Health services research addresses such key questions as, Why is the cost of healthcare always increasing? How can healthcare costs be successfully contained without jeopardizing quality? How can medical errors be eliminated? What is the medical impact of not having health insurance coverage? The proposed encyclopedia addresses these and other important questions and issues.

NATIONAL CANCER PROGRAM

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT'S CANCER PANEL SUBMITTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE CONGRESS

CANCER CARE ISSUES IN THE UNITED STATES

QUALITY OF CARE, QUALITY OF LIFE

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 38, PENSIONS, BONUSSES, AND VETERANS' RELIEF, PT. 0-17, REVISED AS OF JULY 1, 2012

Government Printing Office The Code of Federal Regulations is a codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the Executive departments and agencies of the United States Federal Government.

MANAGING MANAGED CARE

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

National Academies Press Managed care has produced dramatic changes in the treatment of mental health and substance abuse problems, known as behavioral health. Managing Managed Care offers an urgently needed assessment of managed care for behavioral health and a framework for purchasing, delivering, and ensuring the quality of behavioral health care. It presents the first objective analysis of the powerful multimillion-dollar accreditation industry and the key accrediting organizations. Managing Managed Care draws evidence-based conclusions about the effectiveness of behavioral health treatments and makes recommendations that address consumer protections, quality improvements, structure and financing, roles of public and private participants, inclusion of special populations, and ethical issues. The volume discusses trends in managed behavioral health care, highlighting the emerging role of the purchaser. The committee explores problems of overlap and fragmentation in the delivery of behavioral health care and discusses the issue of access, a special concern when private systems are restricted and public systems overburdened. Highly applicable to the larger health care system, this volume will be of particular interest to all stakeholders in behavioral health--federal and state policymakers, public and private purchasers, health care providers and administrators, consumers and consumer advocates, accrediting organizations, and health services researchers.

HEARING ON PENDING HEALTH-RELATED LEGISLATION

HEARING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS, UNITED STATES SENATE, ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION, APRIL 22, 2009

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT'S CANCER PANEL SUBMITTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

MANDATED BENEFITS 2020 COMPLIANCE GUIDE

Wolters Kluwer Mandated Benefits 2020 Compliance Guide is a comprehensive and practical reference manual that covers key federal regulatory issues which must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives in all industries. This comprehensive and practical guide clearly and concisely describes the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with employment and benefits-related regulations. Mandated Benefits 2020 Compliance Guide includes in-depth coverage of these and other major federal regulations and developments: HIPAA: Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Wellness Programs: ADA and GINA regulations Mental Health Parity Act, as amended by the 21st Century Cures Act Reporting Requirements with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission AAPs: final rules Pay Transparency Act Mandated Benefits 2020 Compliance Guide helps take the guesswork out of managing employee benefits and human resources by clearly and concisely describing the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with each regulation. It offers suggestions for protecting employers against the most common litigation threats and recommendations for handling various types of employee problems. Throughout the Guide are numerous exhibits, useful checklists and forms, and do's and don'ts. A list of HR audit questions at the beginning of each chapter serves as an aid in evaluating your company's level of regulatory compliance. In addition, Mandated Benefits 2020 Compliance Guide provides the latest information on: Family and Medical Leave Substance Abuse in the Workplace Workplace Health and Safety Recordkeeping and Documentation Integrating ADA, FMLA, Workers' Compensation, and Related Requirements Significant Developments at the EEOC Affirmative Action Plans Retirement Savings Plans and Pensions Pay Practices and Administration Health, Life, and Disability Insurance Managing the Welfare Benefits Package Human Resources Risk Management And much more! Previous Edition: Mandated Benefits 2019 Compliance Guide, ISBN 9781543800449

MANDATED BENEFITS 2017 COMPLIANCE GUIDE

Wolters Kluwer Mandated Benefits 2017 Compliance Guide is a comprehensive and practical reference manual covering key federal regulatory issues that must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives in all industries. This comprehensive and practical guide clearly and concisely describes the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with all benefits-related regulations. It covers key federal regulatory issues that must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives across all industries. Mandated Benefits 2017 Compliance Guide includes in-depth coverage of these and other major federal regulations: PPACA: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act HIPAA: Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Wellness Programs: ADA and GINA regulations FLSA: final rule on white collar exemptions Mental Health Parity Act Executive Order 13706: Paid Sick Leave for Federal Contractors AAPs: proposed and final rules Pay Transparency Act Mandated Benefits 2017 Compliance Guide helps take the guesswork out of managing employee benefits and human resources by clearly and concisely describing the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with each regulation. It offers suggestions for protecting employers against the most common litigation threats and recommendations for handling various types of employee problems. Throughout the Guide are numerous exhibits, useful checklists and forms, and do's and don'ts. A list of HR audit questions at the beginning of each chapter serves as an aid in evaluating your company's level of regulatory compliance. In addition, Mandated Benefits 2017 Compliance Guide provides the latest information on: Retirement Savings Plans and Pensions Pay Practices and Administration Life and Disability Insurance Family and Medical Leave Workplace Health and Safety Substance Abuse in the Workplace Recordkeeping Work/Life Balance Managing the Welfare Benefits Package And much more!

MANDATED BENEFITS COMPLIANCE GUIDE 2016 W/ CD

Wolters Kluwer Mandated Benefits 2016 Compliance Guide is a comprehensive and practical reference manual covering key federal regulatory issues that must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives in all industries. This comprehensive and practical guide clearly and concisely describes the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with all benefits-related regulations. It covers key federal regulatory issues that must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives across all industries. Mandated Benefits 2016 Compliance Guide includes in-depth coverage of these and other major federal regulations: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act (HEART Act) Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) Mandated Benefits 2016 Compliance Guide helps take the guesswork out of managing employee benefits and human resources by clearly and concisely describing the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with each regulation. It offers suggestions for protecting employers against the most common litigation threats and recommendations for handling various types of employee problems. Throughout the Guide are numerous exhibits, useful checklists and forms, and do's and don'ts. A list of HR audit questions at the beginning of each chapter serves as an aid in evaluating your company's level of regulatory compliance. Mandated Benefits 2016 Compliance Guide has been updated to include: The latest trends in successful Ethics and Compliance Programs Information on the Department of Labor (DOL) proposed changes to the FLSA white collar exemptions The latest DOL guidelines on the determination of independent contractor status The new regulations and guidelines for health care reform as mandated by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), specifically updates and new information on Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC); limits on cost-sharing; the employer shared responsibility (pay or play) requirements, information reporting--Forms 1094 and 1095 SHOP--the small group market of the health care marketplace; and the so-called Cadillac Tax--the 40 percent excise tax on high cost health plans The major revisions to excepted benefits under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), including limited wraparound benefits, EAPs, non-coordinated excepted benefits, and supplemental excepted benefits The reinstated Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Information on the proposed definition of fiduciary and the Supreme Court's first ever ruling on fiduciary standards Expanded information about joint employer relationships An expanded section describing the employment application process; information about the status of the

Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA); and proposed changes to E-Verify New material on proposed sex discrimination guidelines And much more

MANDATED BENEFITS 2019 COMPLIANCE GUIDE (IL)

Wolters Kluwer State-by-State Guide to Human Resources Law is the most comprehensive, authoritative guide to the employment laws of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. It is designed to provide quick access to each state's laws on the expanding number of issues and concerns facing business executives and their advisors--the professionals in HR, compensation, and employee benefits who work in multijurisdictional environments. This #1 guide to HR law in every state will help you to: Find accurate answers - fast - with our easy-to-use format and full citation to authority Compare and contrast employment laws between states Ensure full regulatory compliance - and avoid legal entanglements Get instant access to clear coverage of key topics, including state health care reform initiatives, FMLA, same-sex unions, workers' comp - and much more! And much more! State by State Guide to Human Resources Law, 2018 Edition has been updated to include: In-depth coverage of the Supreme Court's recent same-sex marriage decision and its implications for employment law Discussion of three important Title VII cases involving pregnancy discrimination, religious discrimination, and the EEOC's statutory conciliation obligation Analysis of private sector employment discrimination charges filed with the EEOC during FY 2014, including charge statistics, with a breakdown by type of discrimination alleged Coverage of recent state and federal legislative efforts to prohibit employers from requiring employees and job applicants to disclose their passwords to social media and private e-mail accounts as a condition of employment Discussion of the Supreme Court's recent PPACA decision and its effect on the federal and state health insurance exchanges Update on the Domestic Workers' Bill of Rights, now enacted in six states Coverage of the growing trend to raise state minimum wage rates and to increase penalties for violations of wage and hour laws Update on workplace violence prevention efforts and related issues Coverage of state laws requiring employers to provide pregnant workers with reasonable accommodations, including longer or more frequent rest periods And much more Previous Edition: State by State Guide to Human Resources Law, 2018 Edition, ISBN 9781454883722

MANDATED BENEFITS 2018 MID-YEAR SUPPLEMENT COMPLIANCE GUIDE

Wolters Kluwer

MANDATED BENEFITS COMPLIANCE GUIDE 2015

Wolters Kluwer Mandated Benefits 2015 Compliance Guide is a comprehensive and practical reference manual covering key federal regulatory issues that must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives in all industries. Mandated Benefits 2015 Compliance Guide includes in-depth coverage of these and other major federal regulations: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA) Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act (HEART Act) Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) Mandated Benefits 2015 Compliance Guide helps take the guesswork out of managing employee benefits and human resources by clearly and concisely describing the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with each regulation. It offers suggestions for protecting employers against the most common litigation threats and recommendations for handling various types of employee problems. Throughout the Guide are numerous exhibits, useful checklists and forms, and do's and don'ts. A list of HR audit questions at the beginning of each chapter serves as an aid in evaluating your company's level of regulatory compliance. Mandated Benefits 2015 Compliance Guide has been updated to include: The Dodd Frank Act, creating an ethics training program, and practices and trends Information on payroll cards and Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) tip credit New regulations and guidelines for health care reform as mandated by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) Updated requirements for certificates of creditable coverage; excepted benefits under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA); and transaction standards The revised model general and election notices as required under PPACA Qualified Longevity Annuity Contracts and definition of spouse per the Supreme Court ruling in United States v. Windsor and updates to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation's required premiums The payment of long-term disability insurance by qualified retirement plans PPACA's effect on health reimbursement arrangements; new information on the proposed \$500 carryover of unused funds in health flexible spending arrangements (FSAs) and PPACA's effect on health FSAs; new material on the effect of amendments to HIPAA's excepted benefit rules on Employee Assistance Programs; and revised information on providing employee benefits to legally married same-sex couples based on the Supreme Court's decision in United States v. Windsor and the decision's effect on cafeteria plan mid-year election changes New sections on "no-fault" attendance policies and pregnancy and the Americans with Disabilities Act Information on the definition of spouse based on the Supreme Court ruling in United States v. Windsor New material on the proposed Equal Pay Report

MANDATED BENEFITS COMPLIANCE GUIDE

2022 EDITION

Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Mandated Benefits 2022 Compliance Guide is a comprehensive and practical reference manual that covers key federal regulatory issues which must be addressed by human resources managers, benefits specialists, and company executives in all industries. This comprehensive and practical guide clearly and concisely describes the essential requirements and administrative processes necessary to comply with employment and benefits-related regulations.

CONTINGENCIES

FEDERAL REGISTER

CALCULATED RISK

A PROVIDER'S GUIDE TO ASSESSING AND CONTROLLING THE FINANCIAL RISK OF MANAGED CARE

Jossey-Bass From specialization to fully integrated networks, Calculated Risk will help providers develop risk management strategies that concentrate on the provider's financial risk as it relates to payment for health care, including: controlling and allocating variable and fixed costs; managing how care is delivered and by whom; complying with health care financing regulations; and more.

FUNDING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OF THE FUTURE

HEARING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION, APRIL 29, 2009

TEXTBOOK OF NEURAL REPAIR AND REHABILITATION

Cambridge University Press Volume 2 of the Textbook of Neural Repair and Rehabilitation stands alone as a clinical handbook for neurorehabilitation.

HEALTHCARE GUIDE TO THE INTERNET

NATIONAL STANDARDS NO-FAULT MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE ACT

HEARINGS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, UNITED STATES SENATE, NINETY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION, ON S. 354

NATIONAL STANDARDS NO-FAULT MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE ACT, HEARINGS BEFORE..., 94-1, APRIL 14, 22, 30; MAY 5; JUNE 5, AND 19, 1975

THE COMPLETE GUIDE TO HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE LAW

Wolters Kluwer The Complete Guide to Human Resources and the Law will help you navigate complex and potentially costly Human Resources issues. You'll know what to do (and what not to do) to avoid costly mistakes or oversights, confront HR problems - legally and effectively - and understand the rules. The Complete Guide to Human Resources and the Law offers fast, dependable, plain English legal guidance for HR-related situations from ADA accommodation, diversity training, and privacy issues to hiring and termination, employee benefit plans, compensation, and recordkeeping. It brings you the most up-to-date information as well as practical tips and checklists in a well-organized, easy-to-use resource. The 2010 Edition provides new and expanded coverage of issues such as: Discussion of the economic recovery measures under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, the Worker, Retiree and Employer Recovery Act of 2008, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 The PBGC flat-rate premium for single employer plans for 2009 is \$34/participant The requirement of distributing Summary Annual Reports to participants and beneficiaries has been replaced by the requirement of issuing annual funding notices for most benefit plans; DOL issued a model notice and FAQs for implementing the requirement Courts continued to develop standards under Metropolitan Life Insurance v. Glenn, 128 S. Ct. 2343 (2008), for reviewing claims decisions made by decision-makers (such as plan sponsors and insurers) that have a conflict of interest because they are responsible for paying whatever claims are allowed The Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-3 (CHIPRA), intended to improve coordination between EGHPs and state Medicaid and SCHIP (coverage for uninsured children) plans, caused EGHP and cafeteria plans to be amended "Michellersquo;s Law, " Pub. L. 110-381, requires EGHPs to extend coverage to employees' dependent children who are covered as post-secondary students if they have to interrupt their studies for health-related reasons More states allowed same-sex couples to marry or have legally related domestic partnerships or civil unions - with implications for work-related benefit plans that cover "spouses. " The requirement of benefit parity between mental and physical illnesses was made permanent by EESA The HITECH Act (Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health; part of ARRA) was enacted to strengthen the privacy and security rules under HIPAA, and to promote broader usage of electronic medical records. State Attorneys General now have the power to enforce HIPAA through suits in federal court. The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act (Pub. L. 111-2) was enacted. It increases the number of employment discrimination suits that can be brought by reversing the Supreme Court's decision that the timing rules for lawsuits begin when an allegedly discriminatory practice is adopted. The Supreme Court extended its string of pro-arbitration cases by ruling in 14 Penn Plaza LLC v. Pyett, 129 S. Ct. 1456 (4/1/09), that a collective bargaining agreement clause that clearly obligates union members to arbitrate ADEA claims is enforceable. The Supreme Court held that federal labor law preempts a California law that forbade employers that receive state contracts or other funding to discuss union matters with employees. As long as employers avoid coercion, federal law seeks to promote wide-open debate on labor issues: Chamber of Commerce v. Brown, 128 S. Ct. 2408 (2008). Another Supreme Court ruling discussed allows unions to charge non-members who pay agency fees in lieu of joining the union amounts representing certain expenses of national litigation: Locke

REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE VA ENROLLEE HEALTH CARE PROJECTION MODEL

RAND Corporation The Veterans Health Care Eligibility Reform Act of 1996 significantly expanded the mission of the VA. The reform act vastly increased the types of services offered to VA patients and extended medical coverage to all veterans through a priority-based enrollment system. The VA now operates the largest integrated health care system in the United State. In 2007, the VA had 78 million enrollees, served 5.5 million patients, and had a total operating budget of 37.3 billion.

CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES WE CAN TRUST

National Academies Press Advances in medical, biomedical and health services research have reduced the level of uncertainty in clinical practice. Clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) complement this progress by establishing standards of care backed by strong scientific evidence. CPGs are statements that include recommendations intended to optimize patient care. These statements are informed by a systematic review of evidence and an assessment of the benefits and costs of alternative care options. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust examines the current state of clinical practice guidelines and how they can be improved to enhance healthcare quality and patient outcomes. Clinical practice guidelines now are ubiquitous in our healthcare system. The Guidelines International Network (GIN) database currently lists more than 3,700 guidelines from 39 countries. Developing guidelines presents a number of challenges including lack of transparent methodological practices, difficulty reconciling conflicting guidelines, and conflicts of interest. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust explores questions surrounding the quality of CPG development processes and the establishment of standards. It proposes eight standards for developing trustworthy clinical practice guidelines emphasizing transparency; management of conflict of interest ; systematic review--guideline development intersection; establishing evidence foundations for and rating strength of guideline recommendations; articulation of recommendations; external review; and updating. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust shows how clinical practice guidelines can enhance clinician and patient decision-making by translating complex scientific research findings into recommendations for clinical practice that are relevant to the individual patient encounter, instead of implementing a one size fits all approach to patient care. This book contains information directly related to the work of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), as well as various Congressional staff and policymakers. It is a vital resource for medical specialty societies, disease advocacy groups, health professionals, private and international organizations that develop or use clinical practice guidelines, consumers, clinicians, and payers.

MANAGED HEALTH CARE IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM

INNOVATIVE FINANCIAL MODELING FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

CRC Press David Samuels, a leading authority on financial models in healthcare, draws on his multidisciplinary background in all aspects of managed care to provide an expansive yet detailed perspective of this complex field. Grounded in evidence-based modeling, the book's multidisciplinary focus puts the spotlight on core concepts from the standpoints of hea

THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH CARE BUDGET MODELING AND METHODOLOGIES

HEARING BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ONE HUNDRED NINTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION, JUNE 23, 2005

RIGHTS COME TO MIND

BRAIN INJURY, ETHICS, AND THE STRUGGLE FOR CONSCIOUSNESS

Cambridge University Press Joseph J. Fins calls for a reconsideration of severe brain injury treatment, including discussion of public policy and physician advocacy.

HEALTH CARE FINANCING REVIEW

MAKING A KILLING

HMOs AND THE THREAT TO YOUR HEALTH

Do HMOs provide good health care while keeping costs down? Or is their dominance a major threat to American health, safety, and pocketbooks? In Making a Killing, you'll meet some of the victims trapped in corporate medicine's stark financial calculus: the less you care, the more you profit. -- Diagnosed with stomach cancer but unable to get HMO approval for recommended treatment, David Goodrich finally started therapy anyway. But by then the cancer had spread to his liver. He died leaving his wife Teresa, a kindergarten teacher, with \$750,000 in medical bills his insurer refused to pay. -- Five-month-old Chad Aitken was given vaccine shots which caused a reaction. When his mother called their HMO doctor for assistance, she was told, incorrectly, that her insurance had lapsed, and was refused care. Chad died. Americans are angry -- and ready to take back control of their health. In Making a Killing, consumer activists Jamie Court and Frank Smith indict the corrupt world of managed care, and provide a Self-Defense Kit for overcoming HMO stonewalling techniques and getting the care you deserve. Included is a mail-in postcard for readers to vote on what kind of health care system they think is right for the country. The verdict count will be maintained on the Internet.